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LOCAL LANDMARKS — The building, Constance High School, is the site of the 1954 fire that destroyed the original Constance High School. The building was a remnant of the original Constance High School, which was destroyed by fire in 1954. The building was a remnant of the original Constance High School, which was destroyed by fire in 1954. The building was a remnant of the original Constance High School, which was destroyed by fire in 1954.

## Delayed OSAP applications mean relaxed deadlines for cash-strapped students

By James Smith

The first week of OSAP applications has elapsed. The deadline for the 1995-96 OSAP applications is June 1, 1996. Students who have not applied by then will be considered for OSAP.

"The whole point is, a very few days ago, we said 'We were right in the middle of the spring, the end of the school year, and we were not going to do this,'" he said. "We were right in the middle of the spring, the end of the school year, and we were not going to do this."

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## Holocaust seminar helps students deal with hate crimes

By Amanda Miller

The Waterloo County Holocaust Memorial Foundation presented a seminar on the Holocaust to Constance College on May 12. The seminar was held in the school's auditorium. The seminar was held in the school's auditorium. The seminar was held in the school's auditorium.

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# Micro Computer Fair proves 'great experience'

By Amy Weinberg

The Systems Project Fair Day held on May 14, at Coeur d'Alene College's Computer Center was a great experience, according to Michael Thompson, a student in the Micro Computer Systems Software program.

Students worked in groups of three and were supervised by faculty to complete the projects which were making and designing to meet user demands.

The projects were part of the course requirement to which the student had to design and test programs dealing with accounting software for business. The projects had to be running, using programs that included user manuals.

Approximately nine groups participated in the contest in which projects would receive commendations of systems projects.

While comparing recommendations, voters were able to speak with students and faculty about the projects.

Participants of the first overall systems project, the Associated Systems Manufacturers, were presented to Systems

Analysis Team (SAT) comprised of Rick Olson, Steve MacIntyre, Robert Nelson and Carl Wilson.

They designed an inventory control program for a toy company titled "Planning the Gap?"

Olson, a male student of systems was designed by students. 310 Coeur d'Alene Software

Students, which is composed of Steve Olson, Art Gault and Michael Thompson completed an inventory management program to be used by a small business. Thompson said the program was designed to assist a small company in sales, profit, orders and inventory. It also designed user accounts for different clients and a built-up system which Thompson said is available to others.

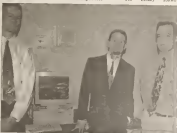
The inventory management program was demonstrated on a laptop computer and included a full user manual.

Three other micro systems programs designed for small businesses were:

Inventory Computer Software which is composed of Rick Olson, Steve Gault and Steve Thompson, designed for inventory control for Murray Park in Vancouver.

The program was designed specifically for the yard and provides a way for the business to record purchases and sales. It also helps calculate inventory orders.

Olson and the owner of Murray Park said the results, although a few minor changes had to be made, reflecting a built-up system and a simple user interface.



Rick Olson, Steve Gault and Art Gault (left to right) designed the inventory system they designed for Murray Park at the Micro Computer Systems Software Project Fair Day.

## Easing into Canada Homestay families 'adopting' foreign students

By Linda Kelly

Students by statistics at Coeur d'Alene College attend international student conferences.

Upon arrival the students get first week-of services where housing at Parent International Support or other Toronto locations.

If requested the college will also arrange housing for the students for a semester or a year.

Homestay is the college's recommended choice for the international student.

Homestay lets the family to live with an adopted family and is especially recommended of the students who have never lived in North America.

The student can experience the benefits and problems of living with a family while learning about a new culture and understanding the differences of the culture here, as well as learning to find one's place in the community.

Living in a new country can be difficult, even with the help regarding Homestay families. The college will help students adjust to their new environment and support them while they study at Coeur d'Alene College.

After a student contacts the college by phone about services, a Homestay offer letter package, including a

questionnaire covering many different areas, is sent to the applicant.

"The questionnaire about the college is interesting, how well they will get along, especially in terms of credit policies," said Larry MacIntyre, director of college planning and international students at Coeur d'Alene College's Data campus.

"There is a more checklist of sporting events how the campus is from the food to the 24-hour service or how the school campus, the reason for why you, studying, working, and background, and how the student can perform and study effectively," he said.

Some of the stress, fear and loneliness a new student can face when starting in a new city may be reduced by a high-profile and welcoming environment.

A family that is prepared to learn about the student's culture can help to ease the impact of Homestay family with one's culture and at most, a family that has previously lived in North America, for at least one or two generations.

The fee is approximately \$500 per month and includes accommodation, meals, travel and tuition.

"Students' fees could more than cover their tuition," he said.

## Tax credit aids college Budget favorable to co-op employers

By Linda Kelly

A budget measure giving an employer a tax credit for the cost of training a new employee is one of the many measures in the new budget.

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